

ABSTRACT

There is disclosed a very thin operating system for a thin client computer operative in a client/server configuration. The operating system for the thin client computer is utilized only to boot the computer and control the peripheral drivers. The application software and the desktop for the thin client computer are downloaded from the server after the operating system boots the thin client computer. Because the thin operating system presents very low overhead to the data published from the server to the client, the data is operated upon quicker and the screen refresh rate is faster. As a result there is no noticeable screen redraw due to an insufficient screen refresh rate.